

The Hong Kong Daily Press.

No. 5945 號五十四百九千五第 日八念月十年子丙緒光 HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 13th, 1876. 三拜禮 號三十月二十年 港香 [PRICE \$2½ PER MONTH.]

Arrivals.

December 12, OCEANIA, German str., 777, F. Nagel, Hotham 10th December General.
December 12, CHINA, German steamer, 643, P. H. Hennings, Canton 11th Dec. General.
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Clearances.

AT THE HONORABLE MASTER'S OFFICE, DECEMBER 12th.
China, German steamer, for Ningbo and Shanghai.
Jylland, Danish brig, for Keelung.
Nelson, British steamer, for East Coast.
Hullion, British steamer, for Amoy.
Suzhou, Spanish steamer, for Amoy.
Zhouzou, British steamer, for Amoy.
Lord of the Isles, British sch., for London.

Departures.

December 12, AMERICA, British bark, for Bangkok.
December 12, FLORIDA, British bark, for Sydney.
December 12, FAIRFAX, French str., for Bangkok.
December 12, MECCA, British steamer, for Cebu.
December 12, CHINA, British sch., for Amoy.
December 12, DANUBIUS, British steamer, for Amoy.
December 12, INS, British sch., for Amoy.
December 12, CHINA, Chinese guboot, for Canton.

Passengers.

Per Olympia, str., from Hotham—Mr. Francis and 40 Chinese.
Per Zoroaster, str., from Manila—7 Europeans and 20 Chinese.
Per China, str., for Ningbo, &c.—20 Chinese.
Per Nelson, str., for East Coast—6 Europeans and 150 Chinese.
Per Hullion, str., for Amoy, &c.—4 Europeans and 50 Chinese.
Per Suzhou, str., for Amoy—12 Chinese.
Per Lord of the Isles, for London—5 Europeans.

Reports.

The German steamer Olympia reports left Hotham on 10th December, and had strong N.E. winds with rain and squalls.

FOOCHOW SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
25, Ochof, British steamer, from Shanghai.
25, Horns, British guboot, from Hongkong.
25, Douglas, British str., from Hongkong.
25, Anichies, British steamer, from Hongkong.
25, Pater, German schooner, from Amoy.
25, Fleura, British str., from Shanghai.
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YOKOHAMA SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.
25, Perera, British bark, from London.
25, Malacca, British str., from Hongkong.
25, Nagoya, Japan str., from Shanghai.
25, Alaska, American str., from St. Francisco.
DEPARTURES.
25, O. of Peking, Amr. str., for St. Francisco.
25, Santa, British steamer, for Hongkong.
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Vessels that have arrived in Europe from Ports in China, Japan and Manila.

(Per last Mail's Advice.)
Lord of the Isles (a) ... Oct. 20
Duna (a) ... Oct. 20
Nankin (a) ... Oct. 20
Halia ... Oct. 20
Austalia (a) ... Oct. 20
Dagaria (a) ... Oct. 20
Tartar (a) ... Oct. 20

Vessels Expected at Hongkong.

(Corrected to Date.)
Aurora ... Dec. 9
Barton ... Dec. 9
Mont ... Dec. 9
Cape ... Dec. 9
B. P. ... Dec. 9
Urania ... Dec. 9
Bertha ... Dec. 9
McNair ... Dec. 9
Tyburn ... Dec. 9
Sarah ... Dec. 9
Western ... Dec. 9
Palatine ... Dec. 9
A. T. ... Dec. 9
Belle ... Dec. 9
Glamorgan ... Dec. 9
Pittsburg ... Dec. 9
Preston ... Dec. 9
Iris ... Dec. 9
Killarney ... Dec. 9
Chora ... Dec. 9

Auction-Sales To-day.

None.

COLLINGS' PATENT TYPHOON AND BURGLAR PROTECTOR.

THE Undersigned are now prepared to apply the above to Windows and Yacht-hatches.

ANDREW MILLAR AND CO.

PLUMBERS, GAS-FITTERS, AND GENERAL CONTRACTORS.
Estimates given for Fixing Pumps, Water Cisterns, and Gas Services to Dwellings, &c., &c.
Gas Chandeliers, Lamps, and Brackets, in great variety, made to order, or re-lacquered.
Repairs and Jobbing punctually attended to under SUPERVISOR'S SUPERVISION.
No. 1, QUEEN'S ROAD EAST, OPPOSITE H.M. NAVAL YARD. [Aug. 21, 1833]

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to GRANT POLICIES AGAINST FIRE to the extent of 40,000 Dollars on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, at Current Local Rates subject to a Discount of 20% on the premium.
NORTON & Co., Agents.
11, 13, Hongkong, January, 1876.

To be Let.

THE PREMISES at present occupied by the INTERNATIONAL TON MERCHANTS COMPANY, Limited, for Particulars, apply to MEYER & Co., 1978, Hongkong, 24th December, 1876.

TO BE LET.

TWO Commodious HOUSES, in QUEEN'S ROAD EAST.
Rent, \$25 per month.
Apply to PURDON & Co., No. 2, Queen's Road, 1923 Hongkong, 11th December, 1876.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES in FLEMING'S BUILDINGS, now in the occupation of A. B. MEYER, Esq., comprising SPACIOUS DWELLING APARTMENTS, with GRANITE GARDENS, DOOR, fronting the Harbour and Queen's Road.
The TWO adjoining HOUSES and PREMISES are also available.
THE LOWER STOREY of FAIRFAX, West Point.
Apply to SHARP, TOLLIER, and JOHNSON, 1655, Hongkong, 17th October, 1876.

TO LET.

THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 4, Alexander Terrace.
THE DWELLING HOUSE, No. 2, Gough Street.
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Apply to DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co., 1654, Hongkong, 8th November, 1876.

TO LET.

THE TWO UPPER STORIES of No. 12, QUEEN'S ROAD, next to the French Bank.
Apply to LOOK HING, Japan Ware Store, 1785 Hongkong, 4th November, 1876.

TO LET.

THE PREMISES, No. 3, PRINCE STREET, in the occupation of Messrs. GILMAN & Co. Gas and Water laid on.
Apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co., 1704 Hongkong, 16th May, 1876.

TO LET.

FIRST-CLASS GRANITE GODOWN on the Praya, Wanchoi.
Apply to S. E. BURROWS & SONS, 455 Hongkong, 29th March, 1876.

TO LET.

HOUSES on Upper Moeque Terrace. All with Gas and Water laid on.
A First-class GODOWN at Wanchai of about 5,000 tons capacity.
Apply to T. G. LINSFORD, 1464 Hongkong, 27th September, 1876.

TO LET.

HOUSES in SYMOUR TERRACE and FLEMING'S BUILDINGS.
Apply to DAVID SASSOON, SONS & Co., 512 Hongkong, 11th November, 1876.

HONGKONG SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAYED-UP CAPITAL, 5,000,000 of Dollars.
RESERVE FUND, 200,000 of Dollars.

General Commission Agent.

TAKAO and YAMAGUCHI, 3rd Floor, 1896, Takao, November, 1876.

THE UNDER-SIGNED are prepared to accept risks on behalf of this Office, by First Class Steamers and Sailing Ships.

Apply to A. GILBERT, Agent, 11, Hongkong, 1st July, 1867.

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

NOTICE.
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Cases, each 5 Doz.; Norwegian BEER.
Cases GIN.
Japanese CARVED IVORY FIGURES and BOXES.
NAPKINS, RINGS, TOBACCO, SHELL GLOVE BOXES, PAPER KNIVES, BRASS VASES, BRASS, and STITCHES, FLOWER VASES, DAGGERS, SWORDS, SILK EMBROIDERY for CUSHIONS, TEA SETS, BATHING TRUNKS, TRIPOTS, TEA SETS, LACQUERED WAITERS.

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Intimations.

UTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CELEBRATED WINES.
We have secured some Excellent Wines and Cognac of the well known shippers, CUTLER, PALMER & Co. and invite comparison with any and all other brands.
We have to offer:
Per 1 doz. quart.
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CHAMPAGNE, \$15
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s HOCHREINER, \$3.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CHATEAU, \$12
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CHATEAU, \$7
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s ST. JULIEN, \$6
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s CANTERBURY, \$5.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s MEDOC, \$4.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s HAVRE, \$4
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SHERRY, \$10.25
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s SHERRY, \$9
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CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 1 star, \$8.25
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 2 star, \$7.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 3 star, \$7
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 4 star, \$6.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 5 star, \$6
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 6 star, \$5.50
CUTLER, PALMER & Co.'s COGNAC 7 star, \$5
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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, DECEMBER 13th, 1876.

The Congressional Committee now holding an investigation on the Chinese Question at San Francisco is not likely, from the evidence already taken by it, to arrive at any very novel facts. The witnesses examined seem to have little that is either new or particularly useful to relate, though it is very possible that much of what they state is fresh to the people of the States into which the Chinese have not yet penetrated. There is much, however, in the evidence that is entirely irrelevant to the question at issue. For instance, it is difficult to understand how the following piece of information, volunteered by Ex-Governor Low, can bear upon the desirability or otherwise of limiting Chinese immigration into the United States:—"Buddhism came from India to China long anterior to the birth of CHRIST; CONFUCIUS was contemporary with SOCRATES, and lived about five hundred years before the Christian era commenced." There is more evidence of this character, which, though interesting in itself, is scarcely calculated to help forward the object of the investigation. In justice to Governor Low, it must be admitted, however, that he is competent to speak on the subject, and probably gave as much information about the Chinese in California as any half-dozen men will be able to do. Although he is in favor of limiting their immigration, he frankly admitted several facts that many of their opponents have strongly denied. The Chinese are the most industrious people he had ever seen, and he had only seen one drunken Chinaman in all his experience, and that was in China. He had no occasion to complain of any want of honesty or fair dealing on their part. In regard to the effect of Chinese cheap labor on Californian manufactures, Governor Low gave it as his opinion that without that commodity manufacturing interests there would be insignificant. He believed that Chinese labor would, however, be gradually supplanted by skilled workmen and apprentices. It has often been asserted by Californians that the Chinese are not consumers of American manufactures. Governor Low says on this point:—"The Chinese laboring classes in this State wear pants, boots, and hats of California manufacture. A large portion of the clothes they wear are manufactured here. They even drop into the habit of wearing the same apparel as the Caucasians." This last sentence may be new to many people, as it is generally believed that the Chinese are very conservative in retaining their national costume. It is probable that their ordinary garb made them rather conspicuous marks for the attentions of the San Francisco hoodlums, and that they found it expedient to don sufficient Caucasian attire to render them less noticeable in the streets. However this may be, it is tolerably certain they have not been the non-consumers of American manufactures their detractors have represented them to be. But Governor Low went even further than these admissions. He said he thought the presence of the Chinese in California to be necessary for the present, for without their labor the crops could not be moved. On political grounds only he favored the limitation of their immigration. This is a candid enough, and easily understood. It is rather difficult to comprehend, however, why, in the face of his belief that Chinese immigration will naturally diminish if the demand for their labor falls off, Governor Low should desire to restrict the numbers of the Chinese. It would surely be better to allow the law of supply and demand to have its course. There would then be little fear of the States being swamped by Chinese. The sons of Man who emigrate to America go thither with no intention of remaining. The vast majority are possessed of one idea—to make a little pile of dollars and return home to establish themselves in business. They do not take either their wives or families with them; they are, and intend to be, birds of passage. There has been a constant ebb and flow of Chinese to and from the Pacific States and its Colony, and there seems no likelihood of their emigration to America assuming a more permanent character. When it does, then it will be time enough for the people of the United States to be alarmed at their influx. It is true they are not altogether desirable citizens in a social point of view, owing to their filthy habits, law principles, and ignorance of the laws of America. But the Californians are partly to blame for this. They have invited them and have wanted them to stay, and have not given them the opportunity of returning. When the authorities of San Francisco knew that the Chinese quarter in that city

was a festering source of corruption and uncleanness it was their duty to have compelled them to observe certain sanitary rules, and to have put down the haunts of vice, which existed among them. Doubtless the task would have proved no easy one, for the Chinese is an adept at evasion, and would have defied the law as often as it was paid to do so. But it is idle to pretend that he could not have been made to conform to its requirements if the proper means had been used for that purpose. It is also true that the Chinese who proceed to California are not picked men; many of them are not morally or virtuous characters; many of them are not very different from other Orientals, and even Caucasians are not unclean. The question, after all, resolves itself into a matter of fact. There are certain great advantages attending a supply of Chinese labor in the Pacific States, and there are several disadvantages connected with their residence among a white population. Do the advantages outweigh the disadvantages? This, it is to be presumed, is what the investigations of the Congressional Committee are intended to elucidate, and it is to be hoped they will suffice to convince the Americans of the impolicy of restricting an immigration which there is no reason to anticipate will become more formidable than it has hitherto been.

The Superintendent of the P. and O. Company has received telegraphic information that the steamer *Geelong*, with the next English mail, left Singapore for Hongkong on Monday afternoon.

We understand that the Hong Kong, which has been falling through at the last moment, has already been replaced by an international race, which will be a good deal more serious than the one which has been replaced. This race is by no means a bad substitute for the one which has been replaced, and the programme of the forthcoming Rights will be rather improved than otherwise by the change.

The usual fortnightly entertainment was given in the Temperance Hall on Monday evening. A grand ball had been expected, but a letter of apology for his non-attendance. In the absence of the Admiral, the chair was occupied by Mr. Lister. The hall was well filled, and amongst the audience was a good many ladies. The programme was a good one, and a very pleasant evening was spent.

The Royal Artillery Band performed at the Garrison Theatre on Monday evening, when the pieces played on Saturday were repeated. The laughable comedy "A Royal Fire" was very successfully gone through, all the parts being well sustained. The force "Cherry Bonnet" followed, and was carefully played by the company. There was a good deal of the greater part of the theatre being crowded, and the front seats contained a fair sprinkling of visitors considering the unfavorable state of the weather. A portion of the band of the 55th Regiment was also present, and played during the evening. The performance altogether was completely successful.

SOME TIME yesterday morning the auctioneer of Mr. Gordon was called by a man, who, he said, had property in the shape of watches, jewelry, and notes, to the value of \$400. The man said he was a Jew, and that he had been burgled, and he had lost all his property. He asked the auctioneer to go with him to the place where the burglary had taken place, and to help him to recover his property. The auctioneer refused, and the man went away.

CLAIM ON A PROMISSORY NOTE.

PRESTON V. BAIN, \$200.—Mr. Watson was for the plaintiff, and Mr. Johnson for the defendant. Mr. Watson said he had an application to make to the court with regard to a promissory note. The note was for \$200, and was payable to Mr. Preston. It was signed by Mr. Bain. Mr. Johnson said that the note was not a promissory note, but a receipt for a loan. He said that the note was not a promissory note, but a receipt for a loan. He said that the note was not a promissory note, but a receipt for a loan.

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POLICE INTELLIGENCE.

12th December.

BERNARD F. STEWART, ESQ.

STRAILING TOWNS.

Wong Ah-yang, a hawker, was sentenced to three months hard labor for stealing a few articles of property of a Portuguese gentleman residing opposite the Dock Office, Wang.

James Robinson, a seaman, unemployed, was charged with drunkenness, and with kicking his way through a partition in a house of ill-fame in Wellington Street, doing damage to the extent of \$5.

The prisoner, who had nothing to say in his defense, was fined \$5, and ordered to pay \$4 for damage done.

SEVERAL WITNESSES.

Inspector George Ogle summoned the occupants of houses No. 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, 101, 102, 103, 104, 105, 106, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207, 208, 209, 210, 211, 212, 213, 214, 215, 216, 217, 218, 219, 220, 221, 222, 223, 224, 225, 226, 227, 228, 229, 230, 231, 232, 233, 234, 235, 236, 237, 238, 239, 240, 241, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300, 301, 302, 303, 304, 305, 306, 307, 308, 309, 310, 311, 312, 313, 314, 315, 316, 317, 318, 319, 320, 321, 322, 323, 324, 325, 326, 327, 328, 329, 330, 331, 332, 333, 334, 335, 336, 337, 338, 339, 340, 341, 342, 343, 344, 345, 346, 347, 348, 349, 350, 351, 352, 353, 354, 355, 356, 357, 358, 359, 360, 361, 362, 363, 364, 365, 366, 367, 368, 369, 370, 371, 372, 373, 374, 375, 376, 377, 378, 379, 380, 381, 382, 383, 384, 385, 386, 387, 388, 389, 390, 391, 392, 393, 394, 395, 396, 397, 398, 399, 400, 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406, 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415, 416, 417, 418, 419, 420, 421, 422, 423, 424, 425, 426, 427, 428, 429, 430, 431, 432, 433, 434, 435, 436, 437, 438, 439, 440, 441, 442, 443, 444, 445, 446, 447, 448, 449, 450, 451, 452, 453, 454, 455, 456, 457, 458, 459, 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, 469, 470, 471, 472, 473, 474, 475, 476, 477, 478, 479, 480, 481, 482, 483, 484, 485, 486, 487, 488, 489, 490, 491, 492, 493, 494, 495, 496, 497, 498, 499, 500, 501, 502, 503, 504, 505, 506, 507, 508, 509, 510, 511, 512, 513, 514, 515, 516, 517, 518, 519, 520, 521, 522, 523, 524, 525, 526, 527, 528, 529, 530, 531, 532, 533, 534, 535, 536, 537, 538, 539, 540, 541, 542, 543, 544, 545, 546, 547, 548, 549, 550, 551, 552, 553, 554, 555, 556, 557, 558, 559, 560, 561, 562, 563, 564, 565, 566, 567, 568, 569, 570, 571, 572, 573, 574, 575, 576, 577, 578, 579, 580, 581, 582, 583, 584, 585, 586, 587, 588, 589, 590, 591, 592, 593, 594, 595, 596, 597, 598, 599, 600, 601, 602, 603, 604, 605, 606, 607, 608, 609, 610, 611, 612, 613, 614, 615, 616, 617, 618, 619, 620, 621, 622, 623, 624, 625, 626, 627, 628, 629, 630, 631, 632, 633, 634, 635, 636, 637, 638, 639, 640, 641, 642, 643, 644, 645, 646, 647, 648, 649, 650, 651, 652, 653, 654, 655, 656, 657, 658, 659, 660, 661, 662, 663, 664, 665, 666, 667, 668, 669, 670, 671, 672, 673, 674, 675, 676, 677, 678, 679, 680, 681, 682, 683, 684, 685, 686, 687, 688, 689, 690, 691, 692, 693, 694, 695, 696, 697, 698, 699, 700, 701, 702, 703, 704, 705, 706, 707, 708, 709, 710, 711, 712, 713, 714, 715, 716, 717, 718, 719, 720, 721, 722, 723, 724, 725, 726, 727, 728, 729, 730, 731, 732, 733, 734, 735, 736, 737, 738, 739, 740, 741, 742, 743, 744, 745, 746, 747, 748, 749, 750, 751, 752, 753, 754,

